

## EDUCATION

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- **Carnegie Mellon University School of Computer Science** Pittsburgh, PA  
*B.S. in Artificial Intelligence; 5th-Yr M.S. in Machine Learning. GPA: 3.92/4.00, Dean's List. Expected May 2023*
  - **CS**: \*Database, Distributed Systems, \*Search Engines, Parallel Data Structures & Algorithms, Software Design
  - **ML**: Advanced Deep Learning (PhD), \*Deep Learning Systems (PhD), ML with Large Datasets (MS), NLP
  - **Math**: Modern Regression, Probability & Stats, Multivariate Calculus, Linear Algebra, Intro to Math Finance

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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- **Uber** San Francisco, CA  
*Software Engineer Intern* Jun 2021 - Aug 2021
  - End-to-end owned, designed, developed, and launched the Uber Eats home feed dish recommendation carousel to 90M global users, boosting top-level business metrics. Coded in Java, Go, PySpark, and HiveQL.
  - Trained and indexed DL embeddings in Uber's homegrown search system. Served embeddings for candidates retrieval using a novel approach that elevated recall rate by 4x with the same resource as baseline.
  - Implemented eater history retrieval based on personalized order and click data.
  - Prepared feature pipelines. Trained, tuned, and served an XGBoost model for candidates ranking.
- **ByteDance (TikTok)** Beijing  
*Software Engineer Intern* Jun 2020 - Aug 2020
  - **Live Stream Recommendation with Graph Embedding**:
    - \* Implemented a full-scale user-author graph building pipeline from petabyte log data with MapReduce.
    - \* Devised ML graph encoders and end-to-end training architecture with Tensorflow to predict click-through-rate.
    - \* Optimized mini-batch forward latency of internal ML trainer by 40%+ in graph embedding training.
    - \* Boosted TikTok online user staytime +3.5%, etc. in AB tests and rolled out to 600M users.
  - **Systems for Engineering Efficiency**:
    - \* Developed a model health monitor and alert system from scratch in Django with RESTful APIs. Onboarded 100+ online models across 5 products with 50+ internal users. Reduced response time to <1hr.
    - \* Constructed an analysis pipeline on 300+ features that modifies terabyte model checkpoints distributedly based on analysis result. Saved 35k+ core-hour computing resources than hand-tuning.
- **CMU Machine Learning Department** Pittsburgh, PA  
*Teaching Assistant for 10-605 Machine Learning with Large Datasets* Feb 2021 - Jun 2021
  - Designed a major assignment from scratch, with write-ups, tutorial videos, and starter codes. Onboarded 140+ students to ML at scale with Spark and AWS.
  - Wrote exams; led weekly recitations and office hours for 20+ undergraduate and graduate students.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- **TheSys Group, CMU Parallel Data Lab** Pittsburgh, PA  
*Research Assistant* Nov 2020 - Present
  - Researched embedding table fault tolerance in distributed deep learning training with Prof. Rashmi K. Vinayak.
  - Coded and experimented with different fault tolerance strategies, e.g. replication, checkpointing, and erasure coding, in the open-source training system XDL to understand efficiency tradeoffs.
  - Proposed a novel multi-level approach that utilizes a hybrid fault tolerance strategy to minimize time and memory overhead. Worked on its C++ implementation, benchmarking, and paper drafting.

## PROJECTS

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- **TinyNet**: (WIP) A PyTorch-like automatic differentiation library with CPU and GPU acceleration. (C++, Python)
- **AlpacaHub**: (WIP) An env, data, and model versioning framework for machine learning workflows. (JS, Python)
- **QASys**: A question generation and answering system on text with rule-based and neural backend. (NLTK, PyTorch)
- **BitcoinMiner**: A failure-recoverable distributed Bitcoin miner with the homegrown Live Sequence Protocol. (Go)
- **Finger**: A tiny-screen-optimized input keyboard with trie and ngram empowered autocompletion. (Java)
- **Pop!**: A crowd-sourcing notification app that allows users to send signals to groups in real-time. (React, Django)

## SKILLS

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- **Languages**: Java, Go, C/C++, Python, SQL, Standard ML
- **DevOps**: Spark/MapReduce, Tensorflow/PyTorch, Hive/Presto, Docker, HDFS, Kafka, Protobuf, ElasticSearch